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In re Application of Krontz & McBride Application No. 09/966,649 Filed: September 28, 2001 Attorney Docket No.1662-34100

DECISION ACCORDING STATUS

UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

For: TOPOLOGY FOR FLEXIBLE AND PRECISE: SIGNAL TIMING ADJUSTMENT

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed February 19, 2002 (certificate of mailing date January 23, 2002).

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor, Christopher D. McBride has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. Specifically, an exhibit to the petition is an express written refusal by Mr. McBride to join in the filing of the above-identified application. Petitioner has submitted a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64.

This application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After this decision is mailed, the above-identified application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

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